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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

ALMOG MEIR JAN, SHLOMI ZIV, and ANDREY KOZLOV,

Plaintiffs.

PEOPLE MEDIA PROJECT, a Washington Non-Profit Corporation, d/b/a PALESTINE CHRONICLE; RAMZY BAROUD; JOHN HARVEY; and DOES 1 through 10,

Defendants.

NO. 3:24-cv-05553-TMC

STIPULATED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO JOIN PARTIES AND AMEND **PLEADINGS** 

*NOTED FOR HEARING:* JUNE 13, 2025

Plaintiffs and Defendants, by and through their undersigned counsels, respectfully submit this Stipulated Motion for Extension of Time to Join Parties and Amend Pleadings. In support of their Motion, the Parties state as follows:

#### I. **BACKGROUND**

- 1. Plaintiffs filed their Amended Complaint (the "Complaint") on February 21, 2025 [Dkt. 41]. The Complaint includes three named Defendants and ten unnamed Defendants, whom Plaintiffs expect to identify in the course of discovery.
- 2. On March 3, 2025, this Court entered an Order Setting Bench Trial and Pretrial Dates [Dkt. 44]. That Order set the deadline for filing motions to join parties for June 2, 2025, and the deadline for amending pleadings for June 12, 2025.

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- 3. On March 13, 2025, Defendants moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint and to stay discovery pending resolution of their Motion to Dismiss [Dkts. 45–46].
- 4. Plaintiffs served Requests for Admission, Interrogatories, and Requests for Production on Defendant People Media Project on April 18, 2025. See Exhibit A. These requests, in part, seek to identify additional individuals employed by or who collaborated with Defendants. Defendant People Media Project's responses were due May 11, 2025.
- 5. On May 6, 2025, the Court denied Defendants' Motion to Dismiss and consequently denied their motion to stay as moot [Dkt. 55].
- 6. Following the Court's decision, the Parties agreed to extend Defendant People Media Project's deadline to respond to Plaintiffs' discovery requests to May 30, 2025.
- 7. On May 30, counsel for Defendant People Media Project requested an additional two-day extension to June 3, 2025, to which Plaintiffs agreed.

#### II. **ARGUMENT**

- 8. The Parties respectfully request a 45-day extension of the deadline to join parties, to July 17, 2025, to provide Plaintiffs sufficient time to analyze Defendant People Media Project's discovery responses and determine whether there are other individuals appropriate to join as parties in this matter. The Parties also request a commensurate extension, to July 28, 2025, of the deadline to amend pleadings, should discovery reveal a basis to do so.
- 9. This Court may modify a scheduling order upon a showing of good cause. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(4). "Rule 16(b)'s 'good cause' standard primarily considers the diligence of the party seeking the amendment." Johnson v. Mammoth Recreations, 975 F.2d 604, 609 (9th Cir. 1992). If a deadline "cannot reasonably be met despite the diligence of the party seeking the extension," the Court may modify the pretrial schedule. *Id.* (citation omitted).

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#### DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025. 1 2 Plaintiff's Trial Counsel Defendants' Trial Counsel /s/Aric <u>S. Bomsztyk</u> 3 /s/Daniel Kovalik Ralph Hurvitz Aric S. Bomsztyk (WSBA #38020) 4 Blair M. Russ (WSBA #40374) P.O. Box 25642 TOMLINSON BOMSZTYK RUSS Seattle, Washington 98165 5 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 3660 Phone: (206) 223-1747 Seattle, Washington 98104 ralph@hurvitz.com Phone: (206) 621-1871 6 asb@tbr-law.com Daniel Kovalik 7 bmr@tbr-law.com 112 Washington Place, Suite 15K Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 12519 Phone: (412) 335-6442 Mark Goldfeder (pro hac vice) NATIONAL JEWISH ADVOCACY CENTER, INC. dkovalik@outlook.com 9 666 Harless Place West Hempsted, New York 11552 Phone: (917) 301-8746 10 mark@jewishadvocacycenter.org 11 David Schoen (pro hac vice) LAW OFFICES OF DAVID SCHOEN 12 2800 Zelda Road, Suite 100-6 Montgomery, Alabama 36106 13 Phone: (334) 395-6611 schoenlawfirm@gmail.com 14 15 Jason Torchinsky (pro hac vice) Erielle Davidson (pro hac vice) HOLTZMAN VOGEL BARAN TORCHINSKY & JOSEFIAK PLLC 16 2300 N Street, NW, Suite 643A Washington, District of Columbia 20037 17 Phone: (202) 737-8808 itorchinsky@holtzmanvogel.com 18 edavison@holtzmanvogel.com 19 Phillip Gordon (pro hac vice) John Cycon (pro hac vice) 20 HOLTZMAN VOGEL BARAN TORCHINSKY & JOSEFIAK PLLC 15405 John Marshall Hwy 21 Haymarket, Virginia 20169 Phone: (540) 341-8808 22 pgordon@holtzmanvogel.com jcycon@holtzmanvogel.com 23

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**PLAINTIFFS' FIRST INTERROGATORIES &** REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

# PLAINTIFFS' FIRST INTERROGATORIES & REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT: PEOPLE MEDIA PROJECT d/b/a PALESTINE CHRONICLE

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 34, Plaintiffs Almog Meir Jan, Shlomi Ziv, and Andrey Kozlov (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), request that Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle respond to the following Interrogatories and produce documents for inspection and copying within thirty (30) days of service of these Interrogatories and Requests for Production, at the offices of the attorneys for Plaintiffs, Tomlinson Bomsztyk Russ, 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 3660, Seattle, Washington 98104, or at such other place as may be agreed upon, the documents and things within Palestine Chronicle's possession, custody, or control as set forth below.

The following definitions and instructions apply:

## **DEFINITIONS**

1. "Plaintiffs" refers to all Plaintiffs in this action or to any of them.

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- 2. "Defendants" refers to the Defendants named in the First Amended Complaint, including Does 1-10, and any employees, attorneys, partners, agents, representatives, or any other Person or entity acting or purporting to act on their behalf, including any entity Defendants have ever had any control over, ownership of, or ownership interest in who has possession, custody, control, knowledge, or responsibility for any communication or document sought by these Requests.
- 3. "Palestine Chronicle" means Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle.
  - 4. "Baroud" means Defendant Ramzy Baroud.
  - 5. "Harvey" means Defendant John Harvey.
  - 6. "Aljamal" means Abdallah Aljamal.
- 7. "You" or "Your" means Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle as well as any directors, agents, employees, independent contractors, volunteers, attorneys, partners, agents, representatives, or any other person or entity acting or purporting to act on behalf the Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle.
- 8. The singular form of a word should be interpreted in the plural as well. Any pronoun shall be construed to refer to the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender, whichever in each case is broadest. The words "and" and "or" shall be construed conjunctively or disjunctively, whichever makes the Request more inclusive.
- 9. The terms "Relating," "Relate", and/or "Related" includes but is not limited to the following meanings: pertaining, concerning, referring, discussing, mentioning, containing, reflecting, evidencing, constituting, describing, showing, identifying, proving, disproving,

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consisting of, supporting, contradicting, in any way legally, logically, or factually connected with the matters referenced.

- 10. "All" shall be construed to include "any" and "each," "any" shall be construed to include "all" and "each," and "each" shall be construed to include "all" and "any," in each case as is necessary to bring within the scope of these interrogatories documents and things that might otherwise be construed as outside their scope.
  - 11. "Identify" or "Identity" means:
- (a) When used with reference to a natural person, to state his or her full name, present home address, present business address, present home and business telephone number, present or last known position, and business affiliation at the time in question.
- (b) When used with reference to an entity, such as a partnership (either general or limited), joint venture, trust, or corporation, to state the full legal name of such entity, each name under which such entity does business, the entity's telephone number, and the identity of the chief operating officer, manager, trustee, or other principal representative.
  - (c) When used with reference to documents, to state specifically:
    - (i) The type of document involved (e.g., letter, interoffice memorandum, etc.), together with information sufficient to enable the location of the document such as its date, the name of any addressee and the name of any signor, the title or the heading of the document and its approximate number of pages; and
    - (ii) The identity of the custodian or other person last known to have possession of the document, together with the present or last known location of the document.

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- 12. "Describe" or "State with Particularity" means to state every material fact and circumstance specifically and completely, including without limitation date, time, location, amount, quantity and identity of all participants, and whether each such fact or circumstance is stated on knowledge, information, or belief, or is alleged without foundation.
- 13. "Person(s)" means natural persons as well as all entities, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, business, non-profit, legal or governmental entity, associations, organization, associations, companies, partnerships, joint ventures, corporations, trusts, estates, public agencies, municipalities, departments, bureaus, commissions and boards. Conversely, "entity" means entities as well as natural persons.
- 14. The terms "Communication," "Communicate", or "Communicated" refer to the transmission, sending, and/or receipt of information of any means including but not limited to: speech; writings; language; text and audio messages between mobile phones; text and audio messages sent over mobile phone applications, such as Telegram, WhatsApp, and Signal; emails; telephone; video tape; photographs; graphs; symbols; signs; magnetic disks; sound; radio and/or video signal; teletype; telecommunication; telegram; microfilm; microfiche; beepers or pagers; photographic film of any type; and/or other media of any kind.
- 15. The terms "Document" and "Documents" are used herein in the broadest sense permissible under Rule 34 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and include, but are not limited to, any written, recorded or tangible graphic matter, or any other means of preserving data, expression, facts, opinions, thought, images, or other information of any kind, including without limitation all non-identical copies, drafts, out takes, subsequent versions, worksheets and proofs, however created or recorded, including without limitation audio tapes, annotations, calendars, correspondence, data or information of any kind recorded on compact disks, digital

- 16. "Financial Statements" mean Documents and Communications demonstrating Your financial performance and business activities over a given period of time, including information regarding Your assets, liabilities, cash flow, and profitability. Financial Statements include, but are not limited to, Your balance sheet for each fiscal year, Your income statement for each fiscal year, and Your cash flow statement for each fiscal year.
- 17. "FTO" means any entity currently designated by the United States as a Foreign Terrorist Organization or formerly designated by the United States as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (i.e., Ansarallah, also known as the Houthis).
- 18. "IS-DTO" means any entity currently designated by the State of Israel as a terrorist organization or formerly designated by the State of Israel as a terrorist organization (i.e., Ansarallah, also known as the Houthis).

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<sup>1</sup> ESI includes, but is not be limited to, all text files (including word processing documents), spread sheets, e-mail files and information concerning e-mail (including all metadata fields, logs of e-mail history and usage, header information and "deleted" files including all potentially relevant data contained in free or slack space), Internet history files and preferences, graphical image format ("GIF"), tagged image file format ("TIFF"), portable document format ("PDF") files, databases, contacts, tasks, calendar and scheduling information, computer system activity logs, all file fragments, and backup files containing Electronic Data.

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was designated an FTO by the United States in October 1997.

20. "October 7th" means the Hamas-led attack on Israel and its citizens that took place on October 7, 2023.

"Hamas" means the FTO also known as Harakat al-Muqawama al-Islamiya that

- 21. "Social Media Activity" means any post, graphic, video, or any other content disseminated via any social media platform such as Instagram, X (formerly known as Twitter), Instagram, WhatsApp, Signal, Telegram, and TikTok, including any drafts of such content.
- 22. "Value Transfer" means the transfer of anything of value, including any tangible or intangible thing having a market value, including, without limitation, money, cryptocurrency, real property, personal property, services, loans of money or property, gratuities, favors, grants, awards, rewards, scholarships, discounts, promises of future employment, honoraria, event tickets, travel, lodging, meals, and the forbearance and forgiveness of debt.
- 23. "Search List" refers to the following terms: "Encampment"; "Qatar"; "Turkey"; "Iran"; "October 7"; "October 7<sup>th</sup>"; "10/7"; "Oct 7"; "Hamas"; "Hezbollah"; "Aljamal"; "hostage"; "kidnapping"; "kidnap"; "Gaza"; "Nuseirat"; "Almog"; "Meir"; "Jan"; "Shlomi"; "Ziv"; "Andrey"; and "Kozlov".

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. These requests apply to all items (*e.g.*, documents or things) in Your possession, custody, or control at the present time, as well as all items that come into Your possession, custody, or control. If You know of the existence, past or present, of any items requested below, but are unable to produce such items because they are not presently in Your possession, custody, or control, You shall so state and shall provide a written statement setting forth:

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1		(a)	the identity of the item;	
2		(b)	the nature of the item (e.g., letter, memorandum, or chart);	
3		(c)	the identity of the person(s) who created (e.g., authored) the item;	
4		(d)	the identity of any person who received a copy of the item;	
5		(e)	the date of the item;	
6		(f)	a brief description of the subject matter of the item; and	
7		(g)	the identity of any person who has possession, custody, or control of the	
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9	2.	If no	documents are responsive to a particular request, state that no responsive	
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11	3.	For a	ny responsive items (e.g., documents or things) that have been lost	
12	destroyed, withheld from production, or redacted, for any reason, You shall provide a writte			
13	statement setting forth:			
14		(a)	the identity of the item;	
15		(b)	the nature of the item $(e.g., letter, memorandum, or chart);$	
16		(c)	the identity of the persons(s) who created (e.g., authored) the item;	
17		(d)	the identity of any person who received a copy of the item;	
18		(e)	the date of the item;	
19		(f)	a brief description of the subject matter of the item; and	
20		(g)	the circumstances of the loss or destruction of the item or any fact	
21		statute	e, rule, or decision upon which You rely in withholding or redacting the	
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- 4. If You decline to produce any document or part thereof based on a claim of privilege or any other claim, describe the nature and basis of Your claim and the information withheld in a manner sufficient:
  - (a) to disclose the facts upon which You rely in asserting Your claim;
  - (b) to permit the grounds and reasons for withholding the information to be unambiguously identified; and
  - (c) to permit the information withheld to be unambiguously identified.
- 5. If any document produced contains any code, pseudonym, or acronym used to describe, reference, or name any responsive material, You shall include a description of such code along with the document produced. For example, the code word "Samah" (Hamas spelled backwards) has been used to refer to Hamas.
- 6. All documents requested are to be produced in the same file or other organizational environment in which they are maintained. For example, a document that is part of a file, docket, or other grouping should be physically produced together with all other documents from said file, docket, or grouping, in the same order or manner of arrangement as in the original.
- 7. You shall keep and produce a record of the source of each document produced. This shall include the name and location of the file where each document was located and the name of the person, group, or department having possession, custody, or control of each document.
- 8. Unless otherwise indicated, the time frame applicable to these Requests is January 1, 2019, through the present.

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documents that reference, either directly or in another language or in code, the terms set forth

These Requests for Production are intended to compel the production of

## **INTERROGATORIES**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 1:** For all Documents and Communications responsive to these requests, please Identify (a) the location and manner in which such Documents and Communications are stored regardless of medium or format (i.e., electronic, digital, or hard copy, etc.), and (b) the manner in which You have searched for and retrieved such Documents in response to these discovery requests (i.e., search parameters, etc.).

## **RESPONSE**:

**INTERROGATORY NO. 2:** Please Identify each custodian of Documents and Communications responsive to these discovery requests.

## **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 3:** List and Identify all Your current and former officers, directors, employees, independent contractors, interns, and other staff whether paid or unpaid, during any point between January 1, 2019 and the present.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 4:** List and Identify which of Your current and former officers, directors, employees, independent contractors, interns, and other staff of People Media Project were paid employees at any point between January 1, 2019 and the present.

#### **RESPONSE:**

INTERROGATORY NO. 5: List, Describe, and Identify any and all Value Transfers—either direct or indirect (*e.g.*, through an intermediary)—between or among You and Abdallah Aljamal and/or Fatima Aljamal from January 1, 2019 to the present. In Describing each Value Transfer, please list the bank account or other payment method from which the Value Transfer was sent, the bank account or other payment account which received the Value Transfer, whether the Value Transfer was made directly or through an intermediary, and, if so, what intermediaries (whether persons or intermediary bank accounts) were used to execute the transaction.

#### **RESPONSE:**

<u>INTERROGATORY NO. 6:</u> List, Describe, and Identify all websites, blogs, internet domains, social media accounts, and encrypted messaging services that You owned, created, controlled, managed, or contributed to from January 1, 2019 to the present.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 7:** Identify and Describe all methods of Communication, whether written or oral, and including, but not limited to, WhatsApp, Skype, SnapChat, Signal, and Telegram, that any Person employed by or affiliated with Palestine Chronicle used to Communicate with Abdallah Aljamal and/or Fatima Aljamal between January 1, 2019, and June 9, 2024, and whether records of those Communications have been preserved.

#### **RESPONSE:**

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INTERROGATORY NO. 8: Describe the due diligence that You conduct before employing, or making payments to, a Person in Gaza, the West Bank, Turkey, Qatar, or Iran in order to ensure that any payments to that Person do not violate U.S. laws and regulations regarding national security sanctions, including, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. § 2339B (material support of terrorism) and the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), 50 U.S.C. § 1701.

## **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 9:** List, Identify, and Describe any Persons known by You as having participated in the attacks of October 7, 2023 in Israel and/or that held hostages in Gaza, that You Communicated with, at any point between January 1, 2019 and the present.

## **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 10:** List, Identify, and Describe any Hamas members or Hamas associates with whom any Person employed by, or associated with, You Communicated with between January 1, 2019, and the present, and List, Identify, and Describe Your employee or associate who Communicated with such Hamas members or Hamas associates.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 11:** If any Document or Communication You produced pursuant to a Request for Production served on You by Plaintiffs contains any code,

pseudonym, or acronym used to describe, reference, or name any responsive material, provide a detailed description and explanation of such code, pseudonym, or acronym.

## **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 12:** Describe and Identify the information technology infrastructure that You use to Communicate and store Documents and data, including information Relating to network design, the types of databases, database dictionaries, the access control list and security access logs, rights of Persons to access the system and specific files and applications, the ESI document retention policy, the organizational chart for information systems personnel, or the backup and systems recovery routines, including, but not limited to, tape rotation and destruction/overwrite policy.

## **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 13:** For any Request for Admission served on You by Plaintiffs that You denied, in whole or in part, provide a detailed explanation of the reason for Your denial.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**INTERROGATORY NO. 14:** Identify each Person You or Your attorneys expect to testify at trial as an expert witness and, for each such witness, Describe and Identify the subject matter on which the expert is expected to testify; the substance of the facts and opinions to which the expert will testify; and a summary of the grounds for each such opinion.

**INTERROGATORY NO. 15:** Identify and Describe with particularity the facts Related to each and every one of Your affirmative defenses and, as to each affirmative defense, the witnesses and Documents upon which You rely.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 1:** Produce any and all written and oral Communications between any Person affiliated with Palestine Chronicle and Abdallah Aljamal between January 1, 2019 and June 9, 2024. Produce all Communications regardless of who the sender, recipient, or intended recipient may be and regardless of whether any recipient was directly sent the Communications or was only copied on the Communications.

## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 2:** Produce any and all written and oral Communications between any Person affiliated with You and Fatima Aljamal between January 1, 2019 and June 9, 2024. Produce all Communications regardless of who the sender, recipient, or intended recipient may be and regardless of whether any recipient was directly sent the Communications or only copied on the Communications.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 3:** Produce any and all Communications or Documents Relating to Your hiring, employment, oversight, and compensation (including but

not limited to any Value Transfer) of, and/or relationship with, Abdallah Aljamal.



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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 4:** Produce any and all Communications or Documents Relating to Your hiring, employment, oversight, and compensation of (including but not limited to any Value Transfer), and/or relationship with, Fatima Aljamal.

**RESPONSE:** 

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 5: Produce copies of Abdallah Aljamal's Form W-2, Form 1099, or any other Documents Related to Abdallah Aljamal's salary, wages, or other compensation (including non-monetary compensation) and/or Value Transfer from You to Abdallah Aljamal between January 1, 2019, and the present, including any and all records of deposits, wire transactions, or any other record of any and all payments that You made to Abdallah Aljamal, whether directly or indirectly, and regardless of whether those payments were classified as salary or in some other way.

**RESPONSE:** 

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 6:** Produce copies of Fatima Aljamal's Form W-2, Form 1099, or any other Documents Related to Fatima Aljamal's salary, wages, or other compensation (including non-monetary compensation) and/or Value Transfer from You to Fatima Aljamal between January 1, 2019, and the present, including any and all records of deposits, wire transactions, or any other record of any and all payments that You made to Fatima Aljamal, whether directly or indirectly, and regardless of whether those payments were classified as salary or in some other way.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 7:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to Your hierarchy and organizational structure. This request should be deemed to include, but not be limited to, organization charts, reporting structures, and lists of officers, directors, employees, and full or part time contractors.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 8:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to Your formation and Your corporate governance, including, but not limited to, any Articles of Incorporation, bylaws, director meeting minutes, and any other Communications sufficient to disclose Your formation and organization.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 9:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications between You and Your affiliates, directors, officers, employees, contractors, volunteers, interns, agents, or representatives, which contain, or Relate to, the terms provided in the Search List. If You believe the use of search parameters and ESI is necessary to respond to this Request, please provide Your proposed methodology for responding to this Request pursuant to Your obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 11:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to Fatima Aljamal that contain any of the terms provided in the Search List. If You believe the use of search parameters and ESI is necessary to respond to this Request, please provide Your proposed methodology for responding to this Request pursuant to Your obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

## **RESPONSE**:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 12: Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to Nurah Tape-Sallie that contain any of the terms provided in the Search List. If You believe the use of search parameters and ESI is necessary to respond to this Request, please provide Your proposed methodology for responding to this Request pursuant to Your obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 13:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to Francesca Albanese that contain any of the terms provided in the

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Search List. If You believe the use of search parameters and ESI is necessary to respond to this Request, please provide Your proposed methodology for responding to this Request pursuant to Your obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

## **RESPONSE:**

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 14: Produce any and all Social Media Activity from any account over which You exercise some possession, custody, or control that Relate to, or contain, any of the terms provided in the Search List. If You believe the use of search parameters and ESI is necessary to respond to this Request, please provide Your proposed methodology for responding to this Request pursuant to Your obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 15:** Produce any and all Social Media Activity from any account over which You exercise some possession, custody, or control that Relates to (i) any FTO, and/or (ii) IS-DTO. This includes, but is not limited to, Relating to current or former members, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, contractors, volunteers, interns, agents, or representatives, or that demonstrates a relationship, connection, or communication with an FTO and/or IS-DTO.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 16:** Produce any and all Communications, either direct or indirect (*e.g.*, through an intermediary), between any employee or affiliate of

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Yours and an FTO. This includes, but is not limited to, Communications to the FTO's current or former members, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, contractors, volunteers, interns, agents, or representatives, or that demonstrates a relationship, connection, or communication that FTO. Produce all Communications from January 1, 2015 to the present. Produce all Communications regardless of who the sender, recipient, or intended recipient may be and regardless of whether any recipient was directly sent the Communications or was only copied on the Communications.

## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 17:** Produce any and all Communications, either direct or indirect (*e.g.*, through an intermediary), between any employee or affiliate of You and an IS-DTO. This includes, but is not limited to, Communications to IS-DTO's current or former members, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, contractors, volunteers, interns, agents, or representatives, or that demonstrates a relationship, connection, or communication with that IS-DTO. Produce all Communications from January 1, 2015 to the present. Produce all Communications regardless of who the sender, recipient, or intended recipient may be and regardless of whether any recipient was directly sent the Communications or was only copied on the Communications.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 18:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to any of Your owner's, director's, and/or employee's international and domestic travel, including, but not limited to, travel arrangements, accommodations,

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## **RESPONSE**:

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 19:** Produce copies of Your profit and loss statements, Financial Statements, and any other Documents showing assets, profits, and liabilities between January 1, 2019, and the present.

## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 20:** Produce copies of Your tax Documents prepared or filed between January 1, 2019, and the present, including but not limited to state and federal business income tax returns, state and federal gift tax returns, Forms 990, Forms 1023, and IRS or other governmental agency examination reports and work papers, including all adjustments made regarding the business. Notwithstanding the timeframe, please include Your Form 1023 if the same was filed prior to January 1, 2019.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 21:** Produce copies of Communications and Documents sent to any Person who prepared, assisted in preparing, filed, or assisted in filing the tax Documents described in the preceding Request For Production, including, but not limited to, an accountant or bookkeeper.

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credit card statements from January 1, 2019 to the present.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 27:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to any Value Transfer—either direct or indirect (*e.g.*, through an intermediary)—between or among You and Abdallah Aljamal from January 1, 2019, to the present, including, but not limited to, bank account records, records of wire transfers, records of direct deposits, records of payments on payment applications, such as CashApp, Zelle, Venmo, or PayPal, records of payments using any cryptocurrency, and any other written records of any such Value Transfer.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 28:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to any Value Transfer—either direct or indirect (*e.g.*, through an intermediary)—between or among You and Fatima Aljamal from January 1, 2019, to the present, including, but not limited to, bank account records, records of wire transfers, records of direct deposits, records of payments on payment applications, such as CashApp, Zelle, Venmo, or PayPal, records of payments using any cryptocurrency, and any other written records of any such Value Transfer.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 29:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to financial support (including but not limited to any Value Transfer) to You in consideration for Your publication of Abdallah Aljamal's articles, Communications, or Documents.

#### **RESPONSE**:

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 30: Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to any Value Transfer—either direct or indirect (*e.g.*, through an intermediary)—between or among You and any entity or individual located in Gaza, the West Bank, Turkey, Qatar, or Iran at the time of transfer, including, but not limited to, bank account records, records of wire transfers, records of direct deposits, records of payments on payment applications, such as CashApp, Zelle, Venmo, or PayPal, records of payments using any cryptocurrency, and any other written records of any such Value Transfer. Please produce these records from January 1, 2019 to the present date.

#### **RESPONSE**:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 31: Produce any and all Documents and Communications, including, but not limited to, marketing materials, pamphlets, attendee lists, speaker lists, transcripts, and sponsors, of any events, conferences, or meetings, formal or informal, concerning or Related to the terms of the Search List at which You have spoken at, were invited to, attended, or were otherwise involved or affiliated with. If You believe the use of search parameters and ESI is necessary to respond to this Request, please provide Your proposed methodology for responding to this Request pursuant to Your obligations under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

#### **RESPONSE:**

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 32:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications shared or disseminated by You that were created, posted, or published by any FTO prior to Your sharing or dissemination of the same from January 1, 2019 to the present.

## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 33:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to a full listing of Your financial donors, sponsors, and supporters from January 1, 2019 to the present date.

#### **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 34:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Relating to any and all fundraising activities You conducted, sponsored, promoted, advertised, authorized, or participated in, including fundraising for the benefit of other organizations. Please produce these records from January 1, 2019 to the present date.

## **RESPONSE:**

**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 35:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Related to the use, receipt, and disposition of Your monies and/or Your funds that was sent to, or intended for use by, any Persons in Gaza, the West Bank, Qatar, Iran, Turkey, Lebanon, Egypt, or Syria. Please produce these records from January 1, 2019 to the present date.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 36:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications Related to the registration and maintenance of any website, blog, social media account, or internet domain name owned, controlled, created, or maintained by or on behalf of You. **RESPONSE:** 

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 37:** Produce any and all Documents Related to Your compliance, or Your efforts to comply, with United States laws or regulations regarding national security sanctions, including, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. § 2339B (material support of terrorism) and International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), 50 U.S.C. § 1701.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 38:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications requested by any interrogatory served by Plaintiffs, identified in Your responses thereto, or consulted or relied upon in the formulation of Your responses thereto.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 39:** Produce any and all Documents and Communications provided to or relied upon by each Person You expect to call as an expert witness at the trial of this action to form his or her opinion, all reports, Documents or Communications prepared by each such Person Relating to this action, and a complete curriculum vitae and resume for each such Person.

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**REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 40:** Produce any and all records describing the processing of these Requests For Production, including records sufficient to identify the search terms used and locations and custodians searched, and any tracking sheets used to track the processing of these Requests For Production. If You used questionnaires or certifications completed by individual custodians or components to determine whether they possess responsive materials or to describe how they conducted searches, provide any such records prepared in connection with the processing of those Requests.

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DATED this 18th of April 2025.

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4	, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:					
5	I am a Representative of Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle; I					
6	have read the foregoing answers to Requests for Production, know the contents thereof, and believe the same to be true personally.					
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16	The undersigned attorney for Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine					
17	Chronicle, has read Plaintiffs' Requests for Production, and the answers, responses and					
18	objections thereto, and they are in compliance with CR 26(g) and the local rules of this Court.					
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21	Daniel M. Kovalik					
22	Attorney for Defendant, People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle					
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I am employed by the law firm of Tomlinson Bomsztyk Russ, over the age of 18, not a party to this action, and competent to be a witness herein.

On Friday, April 18, 2025, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing document (Plaintiffs First Interrogatories and Requests for Production to People Media Project d/b/a

Palestine Chronicle) to be delivered to the following in the manner indicated below:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the following is true and correct.

DATED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025, in Snohomish County, Washington.

Signature: Lica Sabras

Via United States Mail

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

ALMOG MEIR JAN, SHLOMI ZIV, and ANDREY KOZLOV,

Plaintiffs,

Plaintiff

PEOPLE MEDIA PROJECT, a Washington Non-Profit Corporation, d/b/a PALESTINE CHRONICLE; RAMZY BAROUD; JOHN HARVEY; and DOES 1 through 10,

Defendants.

NO. 3:24-cv-05553-TLF

PLAINTIFFS' FIRST REQUESTS FOR ADMISSION

PLAINTIFFS' FIRST REQUESTS FOR ADMISSION TO DEFENDANTS: PEOPLE MEDIA PROJECT d/b/a PALESTINE CHRONICLE

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 36, Plaintiffs Almog Meir Jan, Shlomi Ziv, and Andrey Kozlov (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), request that Defendant People Media Project d/b/a People Media Project ("Defendant") each respond to the following Requests for Admission within thirty (30) days of service of these Requests.

## **DEFINITIONS**

For purposes of these requests only, Plaintiffs use the following definitions:

1. "You" or "Your" means Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle as well as any directors, agents, employees, independent contractors, volunteers, attorneys, partners, agents, representatives, or any other person or entity acting or purporting to act on behalf the Defendant People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle.,

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- 2. "And" and "or" mean and include both the conjunctive and the disjunctive, and shall be construed as necessary to bring within the scope of this request all responses that might otherwise be construed to be outside their scope.
  - 3. "Aljamal" means Abdallah Aljamal.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. These Requests are directed to all Your knowledge, including any person or entity acting or purporting to act on Your behalf, at Your direction, or under Your supervision, and to all possible sources of such knowledge, be they documentary, testimonial, or otherwise, which are known to any of the aforesaid or to any and all persons acting on its behalf.
- 2. Each of the statements made below shall be deemed admitted unless You serve on Plaintiffs, within thirty (30) days after service of these Requests, a written answer directed specifically to that matter and otherwise conforming to the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 36.
- 3. The grounds for objecting to a request must be stated with specificity. Any ground not stated in a timely objection is waived unless the Court, for good cause, excuses the failure.
- 4. Your response shall specifically admit or deny the matter or set forth in detail the reasons why You cannot truthfully admit or deny the matter.
- 5. When good faith requires that only part of the matter of which an admission is requested be denied or qualified, specify how much of the matter is true and qualify or deny the remainder.
- 6. You may not assert lack of information or knowledge as a reason for failure to admit or deny unless You state that You have made reasonable inquiry and that the information



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known to, or readily obtainable by You is insufficient to enable You to admit or deny the specific Requests.

- 7. If in answering any Request You claim an ambiguity in interpreting a Request, such claim shall not be asserted as a basis for refusing to respond, but instead, You shall set forth as part of Your response to such Request the language deemed to be ambiguous, and the interpretation chosen to be used in responding to the Request.
- 8. These Requests are continuing in nature, and to the extent Your responses may be modified by information acquired subsequent to Your initial responses hereto, You are required, to the extent set forth in Fed. R. Civ. P. 36, to promptly serve supplemental responses reflecting such changes.
- 9. Any failure to comply with these requirements may subject You to sanctions pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 37, including the exclusion from trial of documentary testimonial or other evidence favorable to You, and an award requiring You to pay Plaintiffs' expenses, including attorney's fees.

## **REQUESTS FOR ADMISSION**

**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 1:** Admit that You were and are aware that, on October 7, 2023, Hamas, the organization designated by the U.S. Secretary of State in October 1997 as a Foreign Terrorist Organization, murdered and kidnapped Israeli civilians.

#### **ANSWER:**

**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 2:** Admit that among those kidnapped on October 7, 2023, were all three Plaintiffs: Almog Meir Jan, Shlomi Zin, and Andrey Kozlov.

#### **ANSWER:**



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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 3:** Admit that Plaintiffs, Almog Meir Jan, Shlomi Zin, and Andrey Kozlov, were held in captivity by Hamas from October 7, 2023, until the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) rescued the Plaintiffs on June 8, 2024.

**ANSWER:** 

**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 4:** Admit that Plaintiffs were recovered from the home of Abdallah Aljamal.

**ANSWER:** 

**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 5:** Admit that Abdallah Aljamal was killed by IDF forces on June 8, 2024.

**ANSWER:** 

**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 6:** Admit that Abdallah Aljamal was a spokesperson for Hamas from at least January 1, 2023, until his death.

**ANSWER:** 

**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 7:** Admit that, from at least October 7, 2023, until June 8, 2024, You were aware that Abdallah Aljamal had been a spokesperson for Hamas.

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 8:** Admit You employed Abdallah Aljamal until 1 2 his death on June 8, 2024. 3 **ANSWER:** 4 5 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 9:** Admit that Fatima Aljamal, the spouse of 6 Abdallah Aljamal, was likewise employed and compensated by You from at least January 1, 7 2023, until her death. 8 **ANSWER:** 9 10 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 10:** Admit that People Media Project d/b/a 11 Palestine Chronicle is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation incorporated in the State of 12 Washington. 13 **ANSWER:** 14 15 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 11:** Admit that People Media Project d/b/a Palestine Chronicle's principal place of business is in Olympia, Washington. 16 17 **ANSWER:** 18 19 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 12:** Admit that People Media Project d/b/a 20 Palestine Chronicle operates an English language and U.S.-based news outlet under the name Palestine Chronicle, covering events concerning the Middle East and Palestine. 21 22 ANSWER: 23

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 13:** Admit that Defendant Ramzy Baroud has 1 2 been the Editor-in-Chief of Palestine Chronicle and a Governor of People Media Project from 3 at least January 1, 2023, to present. 4 ANSWER: 5 6 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 14:** Admit that Defendant Ramzy Baroud is 7 ultimately responsible for the management of the Palestine Chronicle. 8 **ANSWER:** 9 10 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 15:** Admit that Defendant John Harvey has been 11 a Governor of People Media Project and its "Principal Officer" from at least January 1, 2023, 12 to present. 13 **ANSWER:** 14 15 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 16:** Admit that Defendant John Harvey ultimately oversees the management and financial decisions of the Palestine Chronicle. 16 17 **ANSWER:** 18 19 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 17:** Admit that You were aware that Hamas has 20 been designated by the United States Government a Foreign Terrorist Organization prior to October 7, 2023. 21 22 ANSWER: 23

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 18:** Admit that You were aware that Hamas has 1 2 been designated by the United States Government a Foreign Terrorist Organization after 3 October 7, 2023. 4 **ANSWER:** 5 6 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 19:** Admit that, between October 7, 2023, and 7 Abdallah Aljamal's death, You published over twelve (12) articles written by Aljamal. 8 **ANSWER:** 9 10 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 20:** Admit that, between October 7, 2023, and 11 Abdallah Aljamal's death, You compensated Aljamal for his work product You published. 12 **ANSWER:** 13 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 21:** Admit that, on June 9, 2024, You changed 14 15 Abdallah Aljamal's title on the Palestine Chronicle website from "correspondent for The Palestine Chronicle" to "contributor." 16 17 **ANSWER:** 18 19 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 22:** Admit that, during the period from January 20 1, 2023, to June 7, 2024, You were aware that Abdallah Aljamal was an associate of Hamas. 21 **ANSWER:** 22 23

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**REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 23:** Admit that, during Your engagement with 1 2 Abdallah Aljamal after October 7, 2023, and before his death, You were aware that Aljamal 3 participated in the actions of Hamas on October 7, 2023. 4 **ANSWER:** 5 6 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 24:** Admit that, after October 7, 2023, and before 7 his death, Ramzy Baroud viewed Abdallah Aljamal's Facebook page. 8 **ANSWER:** 9 10 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 25:** Admit that after October 7, 2023, and before 11 his death, Ramzy Baroud viewed Abdallah Aljamal's TikTok page. 12 **ANSWER:** 13 **REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 26:** Admit that You were in direct contact with 14 15 Abdallah Aljamal between October 7, 2023, and Aljamal's death. 16 **ANSWER:** 17 18 REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 27: Admit that You communicated with Abdallah Aljamal between October 7, 2023, and Aljamal's death, using a messaging 19 20 application. 21 **ANSWER:** 22 23

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# **CERTIFICATION OF ATTORNEY**

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2	The undersigned attorney for Defendant, People Media Project d/b/a Palestine			
3	Chronicle, has read Plaintiffs' Requests for Admissions, and the answers, responses, and			
4	objections thereto, and they are in compliance with CR 36 and the local rules of this Court.			
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I am employed by the law firm of Tomlinson Bomsztyk Russ, over the age of 18, not a party to this action, and competent to be a witness herein.

On Friday, April 18, 2025, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing document (*Plaintiffs First Requests for Admission*) to be delivered to the following in the manner indicated below:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the following is true and correct.

DATED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025, in Snohomish County, Washington.

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